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WILLIAM DEXTER MILLS

Born July 2, 1849. Died Feb. 2, 1924.

The subject of this sketch, who was well known far and near as "Deck Mills," one of the best blacksmiths in Oxford County, was the eldest son of Nelson and Dolly Ann (Kendall) Mills and was born and always lived in Bethel.

He acquired his education in the public schools of this town and after finishing school turned his attention to blacksmith work. He entered the employ of Jarvis C. Billings and under his instruction became a most skillful workman with iron and steel, and an expert in building wagons and sleds.

In 1871 he built the shop at West Bethel wherein he has labored at his trade early and late until forced by illness to give up active work. This was a heavy cross to him as being ambitious and energetic he delighted in "the day's work."

The sparks flying from the anvil, the heat of the well directed blows, the curve and fit of the steel shoes on horse or sled, were magical beauty to his eyes. The ring of steel on steel or the "clunk" of a stanchly built wagon as it rolled from his shop was a real symphony to his ears.

Bugged and stern by nature, he was yet no child had ever a more kindly heart beating in his bosom. No foot was more swift to go to those in need, no hand more ready to help any one in trouble than his.

In early manhood he married Emma Frances Mason, only daughter of Nathaniel and Mary (Miles) Mason, who survives him and has been a most devoted nurse throughout the months of his illness. Eight children were born to them, two sons and three daughters. Two girls, Ethel and Cecil, and one son, Robert, died in childhood. Harry, the oldest son, lives in Gorham, N. H., and is employed by the Twin State Power Co. Claude is a traveling salesman and resides in Portland; Will has employment with the Hickers at Poland Springs, and has a nice home in that town; Grace married Walter Bartlett and their home is in Bethel village; Francis, the youngest of the family, is a successful teacher, and is now attending Castine Normal School at Castine, Maine.

The children have been with their father as much as possible during his illness and the last month Francis has been in constant attendance. There are three grandsons, Wilbert Bartlett of Bethel, Marshall and Richard Mills of Gorham, N. H., and one granddaughter, Mrs. Dorothy Mills Amice of Portland, N. H. Also one sister, Mrs. Anna Maria Farwell of Brookton, Mass., and one brother, Gilbert B. Mills of Bethel and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held in Union Church, Tuesday afternoon, Rev. C. H. Oliver speaking very tenderly to the bereaved ones. The floral tributes were very beautiful, showing the sympathy of many friends.

The burial was in the family lot in the cemetery at West Bethel.

When worn and weary with striving, When the pathway has grown too steep, When they falter 'neath pain's dark torture, God giveth His children sleep!

And they rest from their wearisome struggle In green pastures by still waters deep; Ours hearts 'tis a blessed assurance God giveth His children sleep.

Rest some day in God's beautiful country.

From which no one shall ever roam All shall wake from the sleep He giveth And be happy forever at home.

A. N. M.

Bethel, Maine, Feb. 5, 1924.

MRS. RUBENA SWETT DUREY

Mrs. Rubena Swett Durey, wife of William Durey of Norway, passed away at the Bethel Sanatorium on Friday.

Mrs. Durey was born in Bethel, the daughter of the late Joel and Geneva Harbeck Swett, and was about 19 years of age. She was educated in the public schools of Bethel and attended Gould's Academy for a time but was obliged to leave on account of ill health. A few years ago she went to Norway and was later married to Mr. Durey.

She is survived by her husband, as well as her mother, and two sisters. Funeral services were held at her late home on Sunday, Rev. T. C. Chapin officiating.

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SEVENTH VICTORY FOR GOULD'S

Last Friday evening the Gould's basketball team defeated the Woodstock High School team to the tune of 72 to 28. The score:

GOULD'S	G	FG	PTS
Goddard, rf.	7	5	19
W. Berry, lf.	9	4	23
C. Berry, c.	8	3	19
C. Swan, rg.	0	1	2
Keniston, lg.	4	1	9
Brown, rf.	1	0	2
Thurston, lf.	0	0	0
Mundt, c.	0	0	0
Sweeney, lg.	0	0	0
Totals	29	14	72

WOODSTOCK	G	FG	PTS
Deshon, rf.	3	0	6
Billings, lf.	3	2	8
Coffin, c.	4	1	9
Emery, rg.	4	1	9
Melville, lg.	0	0	0
Bray, rf.	1	1	2
King, c.	0	1	2
Totals	11	6	28

Saturday night, Feb. 3, Gould's will tackle the fast Westbrook Seminary quintet in the William Gingham Gymnasium.

While Gould's has so far been successful, their basketball ability will be tested to the utmost when they meet Westbrook's aggregation of stars, Captain "Clare" is alone considered to be the best schoolboy basketball player in the State and is certain to give Gould's a defense something to think about.

Charles Swan, on the defense, has been the means of crushing the offense of many of Gould's opponents, and has been ably assisted by Keniston. These two will have something to spring on Mr. Clare.

While the steady improvement of the Berry brothers together with Bobby Goddard's knack of twisting the ball through the hoop from the most difficult positions will give Westbrook's a race something to think about. Both of these fans are assured of a thriller and the opportunity to see the Sem's experts should be taken advantage of.

Season tickets are good for this game. Gould's will play five more home games with five of the leading teams of this section, as follows:

Feb. 9, Westbrook Seminary.

Feb. 13, Bethel High.

Feb. 21, Norway High.

Feb. 23, Gorham Academy of Sacred Music.

Mar. 1, Bethel Normal School.

A disciplinary plan known as the demerit system has been established recently in Gould's Academy. A student making a breach of discipline receives a number of demerits according to the magnitude of the offense. After a student has received a sufficient number of demerits he is automatically dropped from the school, to be reinstated at the discretion of the faculty. After returning, the acquisition of a sufficient number of additional demerits will suspend the student for an indefinite length of time. A system of progressive removal of the demerits is provided. This system was instituted, not because of any great need of stronger discipline at Gould's, but for the purpose of stimulating self-control and developing a greater sense of personal responsibility in the individual.

Miss Nellie Whitman and Miss Carrie Wright returned Tuesday to their classes after a few days absence because of sickness.

Rev. Mr. Wolfe, pastor of the Universalist Church, gave a very interesting and instructive informal talk to the members of the Y. M. C. A. Monday. Mr. Wolfe paid a splendid tribute to the late ex-President, Woodrow Wilson.

The Y. M. C. A. will present a one act comedy, "At the Movies," in the William Gingham Gymnasium on the evening of Feb. 23. This play will be presented with an all male cast.

Names of pupils with rank of A, to all subjects, for week ending Feb. 1, 1924:

Seniors — Marlow Brooks, Shirley Brooks, William Beach, Emeline Heath, Dorothy Bates, Ruth Hastings, Grace Saunders, Alfreda Wheeler, Mildred York.

Juniors — Edwin Chapin, Richard Holmes, Ronald Stevens.

Sophomores — Lydia Barnette, Dorothy Brown, Sylvia O'Brien, Dorothy Haines, Florence Howe, Elizabeth Mason, Kenneth Stanley, Faye Sanders, Herbert Stevens, Hope Wheeler.

Freshmen — Edna Bean, Ronald Reddy, Allen French, George Leonard, Wall and Saunders, Howard Wheeler.

Signs of Spring — We saw three blue jays on Tuesday morning of this week.

RUMFORD MAN LOSES PART OF FOOT

James Gelsensky, aged 35, an employee in the ground wood mill of the International Paper Company at Rumford, was badly injured about noon last Friday, when the top of his right foot was cut cleanly off by the hard wood.

With nothing but his heel remaining, the injured man dragged himself to the office of the plant, where a doctor who had been summoned, attended him. After the flow of blood was stopped, he was rushed to the Bethel Hospital. At the time of the mishap, Gelsensky was splitting wood for the grinders, and was attempting to adjust a block with his right foot, when the man who had control of the friction lever shipped and threw the lever over, setting the block in motion against the knife, and Gelsensky's foot was caught in between. According to all men, both were negligent. The hard wood splitter has been in the mill for years, and this is the first accident of its kind that ever occurred.

DR. ELI WIGHT

Relatives have received news of the death of Dr. Eli Wight of Phoenix, Arizona, on Jan. 17th. Cause of death was bright's disease.

Dr. Wight was born in Gilead, Me., Feb. 25th, 1848, and was the son of Caleb and Fanny Burbank Wight. He received his education in the public schools of Gilead, Gould's Academy and Kent's Hall, then went to Chicago, Ill., where he fitted himself for the practice of medicine. He married a Miss Eddy of Chicago, and remained in that city for nearly forty years, when, desiring a change, he removed to Phoenix, Arizona, and took up farming and poultry raising.

He leaves a widow, one sister, Mrs. Miss W. Harriman of Bethel, a brother, Thomas Wight of Gorham, N. H., and another brother, John Wight of South Paris, besides a large number of nephews and nieces.

He was buried in Greenwood Cemetery at Phoenix, Arizona, and the remains, of which order he stood high in rank, had charge of ceremonies at the grave.

MRS. JULIA MUMLER

Mrs. Julia Mumler passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. W. Herreck, on Friday morning after an illness of several months duration, at the advanced age of 93 years.

Mrs. Mumler was born in Wilton, Me., July 1, 1830, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Trank. In young womanhood she was married to William Mumler of Massachusetts who died several years ago. To them were born four children: Louise, wife of Eber Clough of Brookton, Mass.; Emma, who married Herbert Snow and resides in Mass.; Jennie, wife of A. W. Herreck of Bethel, and William H. Mumler, Jr. of Roxbury, Mass., all of whom survive.

Mrs. Mumler was a kind mother and good homemaker and will be greatly missed. After the death of her husband she spent her time with her children. The last two years of her life she has been with her daughter, Mrs. A. W. Herreck, where she has been tenderly cared for.

Funeral services were held Sunday at the home, Rev. C. H. Oliver officiating, assisted by Mrs. Jennie Bates Russell of Norway. The remains were taken to Locke's Mills and placed in the tomb.

LOCKE'S MILLS CHURCH

We wish to thank the friends and neighbors for their many kindnesses and assistance during this time of sorrow, to Mr. Oliver for his words of comfort, and Mrs. Jennie Bates of Norway, and Mr. Greenleaf.

Mr. and Mrs. Eber Clough, Brookton, Me. and Mrs. Herbert Snow, Mass. Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Herreck, Bethel, Me. and Mrs. Wm. Mumler, Jr. Roxbury.

P. J. Cooper of Tuska, Oklahoma, was in town, Monday, having walked over from Rumford in the forenoon.

Mr. Cooper is a walker of note, having walked over most of the United States and part of Canada. He has been traveling for fifteen years and has visited the capital of every State in the Union. He is at present on a walk of 12,000 miles. He has been on the road 180 days and had travelled a distance of 12,370 miles. This trip started from Boston on the first of August. He went across the continent to the Pacific Coast, thence to Vancouver, B. C., to Montreal, to Buffalo and Albany, N. Y., and into Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Maine.

During his journey he has found the people of the East very hospitable.

LOCKE'S MILLS CHURCH

Rev. Chester B. Oliver, Minister. Any changes in the hour of worship will be made public on Wednesday evening at the business meeting in the schoolhouse at 7:15.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH

Spring Street. Sunday School at 10:00 A. M. Sunday services at 10:45 A. M.

BETHEL MAN SELLS DAIRY STOCK TO GO TO NEW YORK

Mr. Paul H. Frank, Mr. Wallace MacMonnus and Mr. Fred W. Sparks, representing Mr. Jesse Isadore Strauss, President of R. H. Macy & Co., Inc., a prominent department store in New York City, just completed a deal with Mr. P. J. Tyler, according to which 8 good cows of his herd are to go to Mr. Strauss' country estate in Mt. Kisco, N. Y. It is Mr. Strauss' intention to develop his herd through careful selective breeding.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

Rev. Walter W. Wolfe, Minister. Church Calendar, Sunday, Feb. 10: 10:45 A. M.: Devotional service. Sermon topic, "The Meaning of Prayer in Human Experience."

12:30 Noon: Sunday School. Bible Class conducted by the minister. All interested in a vital, reasonable, modern interpretation of the Bible are invited to attend. Topic theme: "The Land of Promise."

7:15 P. M.: Monthly candlelight service. A service of inspiration and beauty conducted by the young people. Processional, Onward Christian Soldiers. Call to Worship. Barbara Davis. Lord's Prayer. Choir Response.

Violin solo, Mrs. Myron Bryant. Reading from the Persian Scriptures, Frederick Clark. Ruth Hastings. Solo, Dorothy Hutchins. Chorale, Dorothy Edwards. Solo, Franklin Keniston. New Testament, Charles Swan. Prayer, Mona Martyn. Piana solo, Pearl Sampson. Ten minute sermon talk, Mr. Everett Brainer. Arthur Dudley.

Benediction. Recessional. Thursday evening, Feb. 7, 7:30 P. M.: History of Religions Class will meet at the home of Miss Muriel Park.

Saturday afternoon, Feb. 9: Sunlight social under the auspices of Y. P. C. C. Held in Grange Hall from 2:00 P. M. to 5:00 P. M. Children's games will be played from 2:00 to 3:00 P. M. Dancing from 3:00 to 5:00 P. M. Admission: children, 10 cents; adults, 15 cents.

Wednesday afternoon, 3:00 o'clock. Feb. 13: The ladies of the Circle will meet at the home of Mrs. Hugh Thurston.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. S. T. Achenbach, Minister. Sunday, Feb. 10: 10:45 A. M.: Worship conducted by the pastor and the church school superintendent. "The Unfinished Work," a Lincoln Sunday program, will be given. A few parts will be spoken from memory. This program is one of the best of its kind and is most interesting. A special offering, strictly voluntary, will be received at the close of the service. The church school offering will be omitted.

12:00: Church School session. 7:15 P. M.: Evening service conducted by the pastor, who will give, by request, a talk on the picture, "Christ Before Pilate," which adorns one of our chapel walls. The pastor is trying to arrange for an illustrated talk on "Christ in Art," at the same hour and it is reasonably certain that this lecture or a similar one will be furnished for use then. Keep the date open and come to see and hear as well as to worship. Please note change of hour to 7:15.

METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Chester B. Oliver, Minister. Worship as follows: Sunday morning at 10:45: Special mass. Sermon by the pastor. Sunday School at 12 o'clock. Epworth League at 2:30 P. M. Evening worship at 7:30.

Midweek hour of worship, 7:30 at the Church. Joint business meeting of the Church and Church School, Tuesday at eight. The ladies' Aid meets this week with Mrs. Constance Wheeler, Thursday.

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THE J. E. JONES LETTER

IT WILL ALL COME OUT IN THE WASH. Former Secretary of the Interior Fall has been the center of the most far-reaching scandal known in many years. There is no occasion to relash the sordid details which all newspapers have been featuring. A few black sheep are being uncovered in Washington but in the storm it should be always remembered that the crimes against the public have been committed by only a handful of people. There is nothing in the attempt to enlarge the situation by the pot calling the kettle black. A quiet, systematic investigation of corrupt and disgraceful acts on the part of a few men trusted with vast responsibilities of Government, has been in progress. And the investigation has been producing the most satisfactory kinds of results. The courts are gradually taking over the matters, and there is every reason to believe that a thorough "fish" will eventually follow the sensational "start" that has been made. The Washington newspaper man who can put the clamps on his own feelings and imagination at this time, and send out into the clouded skies of public opinion, a dispassionate report of what is taking place in the National Capital must make it clear that Government is going on as usual, and that there is no reason to become greatly excited about the sensational events that involve a few—even though these few have proved themselves unworthy of the great Government that trusted them. It will "all come out in the wash," and an occasional wash-day cleans up the political linen.

THE SUSPENSION OF BANKS

The soft pedal has been applied to publicity concerning the suspension of banks in the middle western and western States. In South Dakota, Montana, and New Mexico, many unfortunate communities have been very hard hit within the past few weeks. The Federal Government has been hurrying relief to many localities, particularly in the wheat growing and agricultural States. It seems to be about the same old story where, in most cases, the private fortunes of bankers have been lost or tied up in real estate and other securities, in consequence of which they have sought to hide themselves over by strain.

Within their personal bank credits, only to find that under because of a general condition that made their banks unprofitable, and the assets "frozen." In hundreds of localities, particularly in the West, the people are struggling with adverse problems due to the failure of their banks. While the business of the nation seems in good order, the farm representatives coming to Washington, are unfolding a story that seems to baffle Congress and the Administration. Farmers who can't pay their debts because their lands are unavailable or unprofitable are "unfortunate," but the bankers who figured wrong are given little consideration by public opinion, which too often is intolerant and forgetful.

REGULATING TRADES AND TRUSTS

Radio is charged to be an iron clad monopoly, which through the manipulation of eight major companies, control patents, the distribution of radio apparatus and transoceanic wireless communication. So says the Federal Trade Commission. Isn't that interesting? Radio was a foolish little toy known to only a few people, not so very long ago. Then came the war, and the Navy Department discovered the possibilities of radio. The Navy knew that the transoceanic cables were in the hands of European governments, and even our own Allies were rather reticent in censoring dispatches to the United States during the war. The Navy, and leading Government officials, later called the "major companies" that are now the "trust" in pushing radio development. To most people it looked like a "ten to one shot," in which there was nothing to indicate how American capital could ever get its investment in science and industry, and see the members of the "trust" seem to be wondering where they are going to get off. But the big electrical concerns put all their resources and energy back of wireless. They took out and acquired patents, developed broadcasting, and got the whole country interested in radio. It has been a matchless achievement in science and industry, and several million people are willing to testify concerning their personal appreciation of the achievement. But it is a "trust," charges the Government Commission. Even so, ask the inquisitive, what is there wrong about it? The Government bosses and fustlers trust in agriculture, although it boots recent trusts. It is

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BETHEL AND VICINITY

Mr. Dana Hall is confined to his home by illness.

Mrs. Mae Godwin, who has been very ill, is improving slowly.

Quite a number attended Pomonas Grange at Bryant's Pond, Tuesday.

Mrs. William Matthews was the week end guest of relatives in Lewiston.

Mr. D. H. Sperrin is confined to the house with the grippe, but is improving.

Mrs. H. S. Jodrey went to Norway, Monday, to visit her aunt, Mrs. Brownell, who is ill.

Mrs. Evelyn Briggs and little son, Chandler, went to South Paris, Tuesday for a few days.

Mr. J. Gray, who has been substituting for Mr. Goddard at the G. T. R. station, has now gone to Portland.

Miss Dorothy Chandler of South Paris spent the week end with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Chandler.

Mrs. Helen Berry attended the Lecturers' Conference at Augusta last week as a delegate from Bethel Grange.

Mr. Plant of Portland has been assigned to the Grand Trunk station at Bethel, taking the position left vacant by Mr. Rooney.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clark, who have been spending sometime in Vero, Florida, and Sharon, Pa., have returned to their home in town.

Mrs. Elsie H. Richards, who has been in Lewiston for the past few months, is spending a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. A. Verville.

Mr. Frank Goddard has returned to his duties at the Grand Trunk station after being confined to the home by illness for several days.

Messrs. Lauris Tyler and friend, Rogers Osborne, students at Boston University are spending the week with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Tyler.

We notice in the report of the Town Clerk that there were 29 marriages, 52 births, 31 deaths reported, and 23 deaths were reported from other towns to this town.

There will be a roll call at the next regular meeting of Nocomi Temple, Pythian Sisters, Wednesday evening, Feb. 13. Will every member try to be present and respond in some way. At the close of the meeting a social hour will be enjoyed. Refreshments will be served.

A large crowd attended the dance at the Grange Hall last Friday evening. The prizes for best dancing were awarded to Mr. and Mrs. L. U. Bartlett. Excellent music was furnished by Mrs. Ralph Young, Messrs. E. W. Eldredge and Clarence Huff.

We have had some inquiries as to the number of horses it took to haul that load of 5 cords of wood which was reported in last week's issue of the Citizen. We'll answer them all now: One pair of horses hauled the load and they hauled it a distance of at least one and one-half miles.

Among those who attended the carnival in Berlin last week were Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Upson, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Hastings, Mrs. L. H. Wight, Dr. E. L. Brown, Thomas Brown and son, Norris, E. P. Lyon, Herman Mason, G. L. Thurston, H. C. Rowe and son Herbert, Patrick O'Brien, Miss Potter and Miss Hecker.

Mr. Moses Davis is driving a new Ford "snowboat" on the stage line between Bethel and Upton. This car will accommodate five people besides the driver and is covered so that it makes a good comfortable "rig" to ride in. The trip is made in about three and one-half hours. No trouble has as yet been experienced in making the trips.

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LOCAL SCOUT ITEMS

Scout meeting on Thursday evening at 7:15 (not earlier) at the Scoutmaster's. Special Scout hiking trip on Saturday. All the fathers and men of the town are invited. The camp has been secured and glad surprise await the arrival of Saturday. All who are interested come on Thursday evening.

PARAGRAPHS FOR THE NEW ENGLANDER

News of General Interest From the Six States

Henry Ford will not locate his proposed new assembly plant in Lynn, according to a letter received by a. Murray Bowser of Lynn, president of the Fiske Fraternity. When Ford announced he was looking for a plot in Boston or nearby, Bowser wrote of the advantages of Lynn.

Ralph Lowell of Boston and Dedham, one of the original organizers of the Military Training Camps Association, has been appointed civilian aide to the secretary of war for the state of Massachusetts, to succeed John W. Farley, former state civilian aide, retired.

Tying the nuptial knot doubly is safer than to tie it only once, according to Chas. T. Landis, a Fitchburg, Mass., business man, who was married twice in one day to Miss Helen Mangallia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Mangallia of Manchester, N. H.

Osborne West, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. West of Hadley, Mass., who was graduated in June from Hopkins Academy and is now a student in the M. A. C. two-year contract, has been named to the judging team representing Massachusetts in the juvenile contest in the National Poultry Show at New York City.

Just 60 years ago the late William E. Badger of West Quincy, Mass., loaned a fellow townsman five dollars to buy a hog and arrow as a Christmas gift for his little boy. Soon after the man and his family went West. Recently a check for \$20.85 was received from the West by the widow, Mrs. Nellie Badger. A note said the check was for the loan and interest.

An opinion of Atty. Gen. Jay R. Benton, of Massachusetts, holds that officers and employees of the State may receive from counties compensation for services which they are not by law compelled to render, and, likewise may receive from the State compensation for special services performed outside the usual working hours of their position.

Rather than have his 64-year-old wife serve a month in jail, Joseph Kirby, 53 years old, of Springfield, Mass., volunteered to serve in her stead and his offer was accepted by Judge Heady in district court. There is also a fine of \$100 attached to the sentence, which, if not paid, will add three months to his term. The Kirbys, Amelia and Joseph, were arrested on Jan. 7 in a liquor raid.

A grim tragedy occurred at distant No Man's Island, an island far out at sea, and the haven of run runners. Mrs. George W. J. Cook, wife of the island caretaker, was brought to New Bedford by a fishing schooner and between stifled sobs related the story of the sudden manner in which her husband was lost at sea. Joshua Crane, a Boston millionaire, owned "No Man's Island."

Taxation was discussed by W. J. Thompson of South China, Me., formerly master of the Maine state senate at the annual meeting of the state chamber of commerce and agricultural league in Augusta. "With the tax rate in Maine averaging around 4 per cent—some towns reaching 7 per cent—and with farm property depreciating in value where in many cases the total income will not pay the taxes," he said, "it is no wonder any proposal to reduce taxes meets with popular favor."

Farmers belonging to the New England Milk Producers' Association hereafter will have more direct representation in the councils of that body. A plan adopted unanimously at the annual session of the annual meeting in Boston provides for increasing the voting delegates in number from 60 to 100. Hitherto a voting delegate has represented a district roughly corresponding to a county. Under the new plan from four to 10 delegates will be chosen from a county and will be selected from different areas so as to give the various communities a more local representation than they have had heretofore. There are 27,000 members of the association at present.

Forty quarts of sap from two big maple trees in two days' run is the accomplishment of Will A. Dumas of Shirley, Mass. Such an occurrence at this time of the year cannot be recalled by the oldest residents.

The general executive board of the Best & Shaw Workers' International Union of the American Federation of Labor, after duly considering the chaotic conditions of labor affairs in Lynn, has reaffirmed the position of its executive officers that it will not enter Lynn as an organization until the shoe workers of that city request such action.

Providence had eight homicides in 1923, the guilty in each of which was apprehended, and had but one police case to be characterized as a "special crime," a holdup of an isolated private bank for which two of the three men wanted have been captured according to the annual report of Superintendent of Police William P. O'Neill. Thirty-three persons were killed by automobiles in the city in 1923 as compared with 14 in 1922, in spite of a gain of only 20,000 motor cars in the state.

BOSTON MARKET REVIEW

Prepared by the Boston Office of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture

For Week Ending February 2, 1924

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

Higher prices on spinach and peppers and lower levels on lettuce and celery trading in shipped-in fruits and vegetables. Texas spinach closed at \$2.50 per bu. basket and new arrivals of Florida peppers, after over a week's lapse, sold at \$1.25, per crate. Heavy supplies of western lettuce are depressing the market. California Arizona iceberg reaching a range of \$1.25 to \$1.50 per crate. Florida iceberg in local supply and selling at \$1.25 to \$1.50 per crate. Florida iceberg in local supply and selling at \$1.25 to \$1.50 per crate.

Strain celery closed \$2.25 per 10 inch crate in local supply and selling at \$1.75 per 10 inch crate. Because of curative prices are anticipated. California Golden Self-Blanching offerings show poor heart formation and sell slowly at \$1.25 per crate where good stock would probably bring around \$1.50 per crate. Maine Green Mountain potatoes show a slightly weaker feeling though closing at steady prices at \$1.50 to \$2.00 per bag. Old cabbage from New York State moves at unchanged prices of mostly \$1.75 per 100 lb. bag and \$2.25 per box. Most of the new stock from Florida brings mostly \$1.25 per 100 lb. bag for Florida and \$1.50 per 100 lb. bag for Florida. Onions are practically unchanged. Yellow stock from N. Y. and Conn. Valley point selling at \$1.25 to \$1.50 per 100 lb. bag. Apples, oranges and grapefruit show little activity. New York State barrelled Raisins \$1.25 from cold storage. Wholesome and condition and Northwested Winegrapes and Staymans, medium to large sizes, extra fancy grades range \$1.50 to \$2.00 with a few fancy selling higher. Florida oranges and grapefruit range mostly \$1.25 to \$1.50 per box.

DAIRY AND POULTRY PRODUCTS

Dressed Poultry Market continues firm with a fair amount of trade. A 10 lb. fowl seem to have the most call. Arrivals of chickens and turkeys for the most part showing coarse and cheap. Poultry 10 lb. av. 20-22c; 12-14 lb. av. 22-24c; 14-16 lb. av. 24-26c; 16-18 lb. av. 26-28c; 18-20 lb. av. 28-30c; 20-22 lb. av. 30-32c; 22-24 lb. av. 32-34c; 24-26 lb. av. 34-36c; 26-28 lb. av. 36-38c; 28-30 lb. av. 38-40c; 30-32 lb. av. 40-42c; 32-34 lb. av. 42-44c; 34-36 lb. av. 44-46c; 36-38 lb. av. 46-48c; 38-40 lb. av. 48-50c; 40-42 lb. av. 50-52c; 42-44 lb. av. 52-54c; 44-46 lb. av. 54-56c; 46-48 lb. av. 56-58c; 48-50 lb. av. 58-60c; 50-52 lb. av. 60-62c; 52-54 lb. av. 62-64c; 54-56 lb. av. 64-66c; 56-58 lb. av. 66-68c; 58-60 lb. av. 68-70c; 60-62 lb. av. 70-72c; 62-64 lb. av. 72-74c; 64-66 lb. av. 74-76c; 66-68 lb. av. 76-78c; 68-70 lb. av. 78-80c; 70-72 lb. av. 80-82c; 72-74 lb. av. 82-84c; 74-76 lb. av. 84-86c; 76-78 lb. av. 86-88c; 78-80 lb. av. 88-90c; 80-82 lb. av. 90-92c; 82-84 lb. av. 92-94c; 84-86 lb. av. 94-96c; 86-88 lb. av. 96-98c; 88-90 lb. av. 98-100c; 90-92 lb. av. 100-102c; 92-94 lb. av. 102-104c; 94-96 lb. av. 104-106c; 96-98 lb. av. 106-108c; 98-100 lb. av. 108-110c; 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HIGHWAYS NOT BUILT BY RULE OF THUMB Technically Trained Men in Demand For Roads

In the early days of road building, any contractor who could spread stone and roll it was good enough to "engineer" the road to be built. Today all organizations engaged in road building are looking for the trained road engineer, and when there are not enough to go round, sending their own men to college for better training in highway building.

In 1919 the University of Michigan, which has departments of Highway Engineering and Highway Transport (Professor Arthur H. Blanchard) offered graduate short period courses in highway engineering and highway transport, leading to the degree of Master of Science or Master of Science in Engineering, arranged especially for men engaged in the practice of highway engineering and highway transport.

During 1923-24, 18 graduate short period courses will be offered, 10 in the field of highway engineering and 8 in highway transport. These courses will be given by a staff of 8 professors and 10 non-resident lecturers.

The road building world is looking to the engineer, the trained man, the technician, for light on how to build better, less expensive, more permanent highways. It is generally recognized now that the day of the rule-of-thumb builder is gone, and that only the engineer, proficient in the art and familiar with the best practice, is the economical spender of the taxpayer's money!

It is not only essential to build a hard road of highway transportation to be possible; it is necessary to keep it open to traffic. There is no economic difference between a broken-down bridge and a three foot fall of snow, as far as stopping traffic is concerned. There is no economic difference between a road blocked with a fallen boulder or tree and one which is snowed under so that neither team nor truck can travel over it.

Few communities would wait an instant to repair the bridge, or remove the boulder or tree; the idea that the hundreds of thousands of dollars invested in the good road should lie idle, and a whole section be cut off from the benefits of transportation, until the bridge mended itself, the boulder rolled off, or the tree rotted away, is absurd. But many communities regard a heavy fall of snow as a visitation of Providence, with which men need not interfere, because in time the same Providence will melt the snow and open the road!

In regions where snow blocks the roads, modern engineers are using rotary snow ploughs, attached to trucks, and opening the road as soon as it closes, exactly as the railroad right of way men keep the tracks open for trains regardless of the state of the weather.

Rotary ploughs to be applied to trucks are not expensive; push and scraper ploughs for lesser snowfalls are still costly. Opening the road for traffic after a snowfall is as essential as mending bridges and maintaining the surface. Communities in the snow belt which do not have the benefits of their good roads all the year 'round, "save at the spigot to live at the bang hole," since the monetary value of one day's lost traffic is more than sufficient to buy the equipment and keep the snow-blocked road open all winter.

SOUTH ALBANY

J. A. Kimball is ill at the writing. Dr. Hubbard was called to attendance Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wardwell attended the "Spasm" at No. Waterford, Sat. night.

Roy Wardwell was at the Town House, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Fullerton went to Buckfield, Saturday, to attend the funeral of Mrs. Fullerton's father.

Necked Mountain Grange held a very pleasant and interesting meeting, Sat. night.

R. K. Shedd was in Norway, Tuesday, on business.

Dr. Hunsden was called to St. Anne's camp one day last week to attend a sick horse.

Maine Central Railroad plans purchase of large amount of equipment.

STATE OF MAINE

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four, the following matters having been presented for the action thereon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen, a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris on the third Tuesday of February, A. D. 1924, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Sarah R. Blake late of Gilead, deceased; will and petition for probate thereof and the appointment of Henry H. Hastings as executor of the same to act without bond presented by said Henry H. Hastings, the executor therein named.

Lillian M. Morse late of Bethel, deceased; petition for determination of Morse, administratrix.

Witness, Arelus E. Stearns, Judge of said Court at Paris, this third Tuesday of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four.

Albert D. Park, Register.

NOTICE

The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed executor of the estate of Horatio A. McLeod late of Dixfield in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted there-to are requested to make payment immediately.

JAMES H. McLEOD,
Upton, Maine.
January 21, 1924.

WEST PARIS

The funeral of Mrs. Ellen A. Usher Willis was held at the Baptist church Thursday afternoon. Rev. H. P. Adrich officiated. Oward Rebekah Lodge, of which the deceased was a member, performed their burial service. Mrs. Willis passed away Monday night at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jane Clark, at Buckfield, where she had been since October Mrs. Willis had been ill for a long period of time from hardening of the arteries and for the past two or three years had resided the house on Maple Street and made her home with her daughter, Mrs. E. L. Wyman, at Pleasant Valley Fruit Farm, South Woodstock, but when the family moved to Mechanic Falls she went to Buckfield for a visit and failing health made it necessary for her to remain. Mrs. Willis was the daughter of Sidney and Mary Lord Usher and was born in Windham, Oct. 20, 1853. She was united in marriage with Lorraine F. Willis about fifty-five years ago. After remaining in Oxford County a few years they went to Crescent City, Florida. Mr. Willis was engaged in mill business. Their family of six children were born in Florida with the exception of the eldest daughter. The family returned to West Paris in 1893. Mr. Willis passed away a few years since. Five children survive of this union: Mary, wife of E. L. Wyman of Mechanic Falls, John W. of Waterford, Miss Marie Willis of Norway, Mrs. Jane, wife of Morton Clark of Buckfield, L. F. Willis of Mechanic Falls. There are seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild; also three sisters, Mrs. Mary Brackett, Mrs. Hattie Hayes and Mrs. Emma Babb, all of Westbrook, and a brother, William F. Usher of San Francisco, Calif. Mrs. Willis was a member of the Baptist church, Oward Rebekah Lodge and West Paris Grange. In all her relations she was kind, helpful, very active when health permitted, a woman highly respected and liked by every one. Beautiful flowers spoke their silent words of love and sympathy for the passing of one who had spent many honored years in the community. Those who came to attend the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Wyman, Miss Beatrice Smith, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Willis, Mechanic Falls, John W. Willis, afterford, Miss Marie Willis, Norway, Mr. and Mrs. Morton Clark, Harlan Workman, Buckfield, Mrs. Rose Taylor, South Paris.

Mrs. S. T. White had the misfortune to fall on the sidewalk and fracture the bone of her leg above the ankle. She went to Lewiston for an X-ray and is now at home convalescing. Hazel Cole is working for her.

Miss Ethel Penley went to Bethel to attend Chapman's concert, and was the guest of Mrs. H. M. Farwell.

Mrs. Helene Babbler was a recent guest of her aunt, Mrs. Clara Bidlon.

Arthur Bicker of Bristol, N. H., was a week end guest of his father, A. J. Bicker.

Mrs. Phila Mayhew entertained the Friendly Club at their annual meeting. The officers were re-elected.

Gertrude, the daughter of Edwin J. Mann, is ill with the measles.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Haines have gone to housekeeping in R. C. Mayhew's house.

Raymond Eugene Haines and Miss Alice Harvey Young were united in marriage Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 29, by Rev. Eleanor B. Forbes. The single ring service was used. The marriage took place at the home of Rev. Miss Forbes. Mr. and Mrs. Haines were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Chase. They left on the 5:30 train on a wedding journey. The young people will make their home at West Paris where they have many friends to wish them happiness.

SONGO POND

Mr. Irving Becker is on the sick list.

Mrs. E. O. Donahue was a caller on Mrs. Carlton Saunders one day last week.

Carlton Penley has bought a pair of steers of Ernest Morrill and is hauling his pulp to Meadow Brook.

Mr. Herman Bennett was at Dave McAllister's, Sunday.

Abner Kimball lost a valuable horse recently.

Carlton Saunders was a Sunday guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ora Saunders.

Mrs. Tena Bennett and Dave McAllister were callers at Frank Foster's, Sunday.

Charles Kimball was in Norway and South Paris, Monday.

Mrs. Herman Brown and children were guests at Songo Lake Cottage one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Becker were guests at Maitland Bird's, Sunday.

Mr. Abner Kimball has a pair of horses weighing 2800 pounds with which he is hauling pulpwood. One day last week this team hauled 2 1/2 cords of maple and hemlock from the feet of Songo Pond to Bartlett's shop, Bethel.

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WEST BETHEL

Miss Laura Hutchinson spent the week end with her parents.

Those from out of town who attended the funeral of Mr. W. D. Mills, Tuesday, were Mr. Harry Mills of Gorham, N. H., Mr. and Mrs. Claude Mills of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bartlett of Bethel, Mr. and Mrs. William Mills of Poland, Mr. Francis Mills of Castine, Mrs. Alforetta Edwards of Portland and Miss Cook.

Mr. Francis Mills returned to his school at Castine, Me., Tuesday.

Mrs. Ervin Hutchinson and Mrs. Archie Hutchinson were in Bethel one day last week.

Mrs. A. E. K. Grover, Mrs. D. M. Forbes, Mrs. Hugh Thurston and Miss Mona Marilyn from Bethel were in town Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mr. W. D. Mills.

GILEAD

Mrs. Lola Lary of Bethel has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. T. Heath.

Marjorie Cole of Auburn spent the week end in town with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cole.

Mrs. Oliver Garey and sister, Charlotte Cole, have returned home from Portland.

Mrs. Selma McPherson of Newry was a recent guest of friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. John Woods, C. A. Reed and Richard Lawrence attended the winter carnival at Berlin, N. H., last week.

Mrs. Arthur Wilson of Gorham, N. H., was a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Roy Arenburg, last Sunday.

Jack McBride was in Berlin, N. H., last Saturday.

Mrs. Larry Losier and daughter spent the week end in Berlin with relatives.

LOOKE'S MILLS

The Sango River Quartette of Boston sang at the Union Church, Sunday evening.

Mrs. Vertie Crooker was at her home at Bryant's Pond a few days last week.

Mrs. Warren Churchill and Mildred of Mechanic Falls are guests of her daughter, Mrs. Donald Tebbets.

Mrs. Florence Swift of Bryant's Pond visited relatives Friday.

Lester and Donald Tebbets were in Newry, Thursday.

Mrs. Raynor Littlefield was in Newry, Tuesday.

Silas Kenniston, Stanley Bartlett and George Norton were home from Newry, Sunday.

Mrs. Donald Tebbets, Mrs. Churchill and Mildred attended the carnival at Berlin, N. H., Friday.

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CHAPTER II.—In the morning the girl in question, Rachel, is seen. She is a young woman in the spring of 1912 when his father ran away from home with a girl named Rachel. He was a young man in the spring of 1912 when his father ran away from home with a girl named Rachel.

CHAPTER III.—A handsome, dashing young fellow rides up and introduces himself as Harry Lapelle. He is a young man in the spring of 1912 when his father ran away from home with a girl named Rachel. He was a young man in the spring of 1912 when his father ran away from home with a girl named Rachel.

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die his horse and bring him around to the front of the barn, where he mounted and set out for a ride up the Wild Cat road. Two or three miles above town he met Hayes and the two young women returning. The look of consternation that passed among them did not escape him. He smiled a trifle maliciously as he rode on, for now he knew what had become of the missing member of the party.

Half a mile farther on he came upon Viola and Barry Lapelle, riding slowly side by side through the narrow lane. He drew out to one side to allow them to pass, doffing his beaver ceremoniously.

Lapelle's friendly greeting did not surprise him, for the two had seen a great deal of each other, and at no time had there been anything in the lover's manner to indicate that Viola had confided to him the story of the meeting in the thicket. But he was profoundly astonished when the girl favored him with a warm, gay smile and cried out a cheery "How do you do, Kenneth!"

"Better turn around and ride back with us, Kenny," said Barry, politely but not graciously.

"I am on my way to the Wild Cat to see a man on business," said Kenneth, lamely.

"Kenny!" repeated Viola, puckering her brow. "Where have I heard that name before? I seem to remember—oh, as if it were a thousand years ago. Do they call you Kenny for short?"

"It grew up with me," he replied. "Ever since I can remember, my folks—"

He broke off in the middle of the sentence, confronted by a disconcerting thought. Could it be possible that somewhere in Viola's brain—or rather in Minda's baby brain—that familiar name had stamped itself? Why not? It had been impressed upon his own baby brain, why not in a less degree upon hers?

He lifted his hat and rode off. He had done not more than twenty rods when he heard a masculine shout from behind; turning, he discovered that the couple were still standing where he had left them. Lapelle called out:

"Your sister wants to have a word with you."

She rode swiftly up to where he was waiting.

"I just want to let you know that I intend to tell mother about meeting Barry out here today," she said, unsmiling. "I shall not tell her that we had planned it in advance, however. We did plan it, so if you want to run and tell her yourself, you may do so. It will make no—"

"Is that all you wanted to say to me, Viola?" he interrupted.

For a moment she faced him rebelliously, hot words on her lips. Then a surprising change came over her. Her eyes quivered under the justifiable scorn in his. She hung her head.

"No," she said, miserably. "I thought it was all, but I don't. I want to say that I am sorry I said what I did."

He watched the scarlet flood sweep over her cheeks and then as swiftly fade. It was a subject altogether, and yet he had no thrill of triumph. "It's—"

"It's all right, Viola," he stammered, awkwardly. "Don't think anything more about it. We will consider it unsaid."

"No, we'll not," said she, looking up. "But I am sorry, Kenneth. Will you try to forget it?"

He shook his head. "Never! Forgetting the bitter would mean that I would also have to give up the sweet," said he, gallantly.

"I must be going now," she said, biting her lip. "Good-by—Kenny." A faint frown clouded her brow after she had uttered the name. "I must ask mother if she remembers hearing father speak of you as Kenny."

"Say, Viola," came an impatient shout from Barry Lapelle. "Are you going to take all day?"

It was plain to be seen that the young man was out of temper. Kenneth could not repress a chuckle.

"Better hurry along," he said, grimly, "or he'll take your head off."

She rode off in high dudgeon and he was left to curse his ill-timed jest. What a blundering fool he had been! Her first, timid little advance—and he had met it with boorish, clownish wit!

Dusk was falling when Kenneth rode slowly into the town again. He had reached a decision during that lonely ride. He would not remain in Lafayette. He foresaw misery and unhappiness for himself if he stayed there; for he had been deceived, he was in love with Viola Gwyn. No worse than that, he was in love with Minda Carter, and there lay all the bitterness that filled his soul. He could never have her. Even though she cast her ardent Lapelle, still he could not have her for his own. The bars were up and it was beyond his power to lower them. And so, with this resolve firmly fixed in his mind, he gave himself up to a strange sort of despair.

The inconceivable and incredible had come to pass. He had fallen in love with Viola Gwyn at first sight, that stormy night at Barker's. The discovery that she was his own half sister, had, of course, deluded his senses temporarily, but now he realized that the strange, pitiful instincts of man had not been deceived and would not be denied.

He closed his eyes and the truth from the instant he first laid eyes upon the lovely stranger. Since that first night there had been recollections. First of all Viola was the dark and blond of an evil woman, and that woman his sister. Notwithstanding her own innocence and purity, it was inevitable that he should ever think of her as a woman who had deceived him to himself as wife. See—

—that most tender stand he—

her mother and the truth about herself. There was but one thing left for him to do—go away. He would wind up his affairs at once and put longing and temptation as far behind him as possible.

His wanderings had carried him through dark, winding cowpaths and lanes to within a stone's throw of Jack Trentman's shanty, standing alone like the parish it was, on the steep bank of the river near the ferry.

Back in a clump of sugar trees it seemed to hide, as if shrinking from the accusing eye of every good and honest man. Kenneth had stopped at the edge of the little grove and was gazing fiercely at the two lighted windows of the "shanty." He was thinking of Barry Lapelle, thinking of the foul trick that seemed almost certain to deliver Viola into his soiled and lawless hands. The fierceness of his gaze was due to the knowledge that Lapelle was now inside Trentman's notorious shanty and perhaps gambling.

This evening, as on two or three earlier occasions, he had been urged by Barry to come down to the shanty and try his luck at poker. He had steadfastly declined these invitations. Trentman's place was known far and wide as a haven into which "cleaned out" river gamblers sailed in the hope of recovering at least enough of their fortunes to enable them to return to more productive fields down the reaches of the big river.

Kenneth thought he was alone in the gloom until he was startled by the sound of a man's voice almost at his elbow.

"Evening, Mr. Gwynne."

Whirling, he made out the dark shadow of a man leaning against a tree close by.

"Good evening," he muttered in some confusion, conscious of a sense of guilt in being caught in the act of spying.

"I've been followin' you fer quite a ways," observed the unknown. "Guess you don't remember me. My name is Stain, Isaac Stain."

"I remember you quite well," said Kenneth, stiffly. "May I inquire why you have been following me, Mr. Stain?"

"Well, I jest didn't know of anybody else I could come to about a certain matter. It has to do with that fellow, Lapelle, up yander in Trentman's place. First, I went up to Mrs. Gwyn's house, but it was all dark, an' nobody to home 'cept that dog o' her'n. He knowed me or else he'd have jumped Course, everybody's heard queer things about him, but this beats anything I've come across yet. Martin

Hawk's daughter, Moll, come hoodin' it up to my cabin this mornin' an' told me the dearest story you've ever heard. She came to me, she sez, on account of me bein' an old friend of her father's, an' she claims to be a decent, honest girl in spite of what her dogfather says. Seem to me that Barry Lapelle an' Moll are calculatin' on gettin' married, an' the old woman objects. Some time this past week, Moll told Barry she wouldn't marry him anywheres 'cept in her own mother's house. Well, from what Moll sez, Barry has got other ideas about it."

"Pears that Barry ain't willin' to take chances on gettin' married jest that way, an' besides he's sort of used to havin' anything he wants without waitin' very long for it. Now, I don't know whether Moll's a party to the scheme or not—maybe she is an' maybe she ain't. But from what Moll Hawk sez there's a scheme on foot to get the best of Rachel Gwyn by grabbin' Moll some night an' rakin' her to a hidin' place down the river where Barry figures he'll persuade her to marry him an' be happy ever after. Ward, an' the sayin' is Moll sez it's all fixed up, 'cept the time for doin' it. Martin Hawk an' a half dozen fellows from someers down the river is to do the job. All she knows is it's to be in the dark of the moon, an' that's not fer aft. Moll sez she believes Moll knows about the plan an' sort of agrees to—"

"I don't believe it, Stain," broke in Kenneth. "She would not lead her sister to a low-down trick like that."

Stain shook his head. "They say she's terrible in love with Barry, an' she'll do anything a woman'll stoop to in order to get the man she's set her heart on."

"Nevertheless, Viola is not that kind," asserted Kenneth, stubbornly. "See here, Stain, I've been thinking

while you were talking. If there is really anything in this story, I doubt the wisdom of going to Mrs. Gwyn with it, and certainly it would be a bad plan to speak to Viola. We've got to handle this matter ourselves. I want to catch Barry Lapelle red-handed. That is the surest way to convince Viola that he is an unworthy scoundrel. It is my duty to protect my sister—and I shall find a way to do so, whether she likes it or not. You know, perhaps, that we are not on the friendliest of terms."

"Yep, I know," said Stain. "You might as well know that I am on their side, Mr. Gwynne. Whatever the trouble is between you an' them two women, I am for them an' ag'in you. That's understand, ain't it?"

"It is," replied Kenneth, impressed by the hunter's frankness. "But all the more reason why in a case like this you and I should work hand in hand. I am glad you came to me with the Hawk girl's story. Hawk and his crew will find me waiting for them when they come. They will not find their job a simple one."

"I guess you'll need a little help, Mr. Gwynne," said Stain dryly. "So make your choice. You an' me will work in cahoots with each other, or we'll go at it single-hand."

"We will work together, Stain," said Kenneth, promptly. "I will be guided by you. Shake hands."

The two men shook hands. Then the lawyer in Gwynne spoke.

"You should see this Hawk girl again and hear her out before you make plans. We must not let them catch us napping."

"She's comin' to see me in a day or so. Martin Hawk went down to Africa today, him an' a fellow named Snags who's been soberin' up at Martin's fer the past few days. The chances are he's gone down there on this very business."

"You are sure nothing is likely to happen tonight?"

"Not till the dark of the moon, she sez."

"By the way, why is she turning against her father like this?"

"Well, Moll is after Barry Lapelle—no question about that. She's an uncommon good-looking girl, I might say, an' I guess Barry ain't blind."

"There was nothing apologetic in his voice or bearing. On the contrary, he spoke in a lofty, casual manner, quite as if this perfunctory concession to the civilities were a matter of form, and was to be so regarded by Gwynne."

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"Sorry I can't make it," returned Kenneth. "I am moving into my house to-day and that's going to keep me pretty busy. Might as well of you to ask me."

"Say, I guess I owe you a sort of apology, Kenny. I hope you will overlook the way I spoke last night when you said you couldn't go to Jack Trentman's. I guess I was a—well, a little sarcastic, wasn't I?"

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CHAPTER X
The Gracious Enemy.

Bright and early the next morning Kenneth gave orders to have his horse put in order for immediate occupancy. Having made up his mind to remain in Lafayette and face the consequences that had seemed insurmountable the night before, he lost no time in committing himself to the final resolve.

Meanwhile he rented an "office" on the north side of the public square, a small room at the back of a furniture store, pending the completion of the two-story brick block on the south side.

As he was hurrying away from the tavern shortly after breakfast he encountered Lapelle coming up from the stable yard. The young Louisianian was in a singularly unflattering frame of mind.

"Hello," he called out. Kenneth stopped and waited for him to come up. "I'm off pretty soon for my place below town. It's only about eight miles. I want to arrange with Martin Hawk for a duck-shooting trip the end of the week. He looks after my lean-to down there, and he is the keenest duck hunter in these parts. Better come along."

"Sorry I can't make it," returned Kenneth. "I am moving into my house to-day and that's going to keep me pretty busy. Might as well of you to ask me."

"Say, I guess I owe you a sort of apology, Kenny. I hope you will overlook the way I spoke last night when you said you couldn't go to Jack Trentman's. I guess I was a—well, a little sarcastic, wasn't I?"

"I make it a rule to overlook, if possible, anything a man may say when he is drinking," said Kenneth, smiling. "Well, I have apologized for feeling at you, Gwynne, so I've done all that a sober man should be expected to do." Barry went on carelessly. "You missed it by not going down there with me last night. I cleaned 'em out."

WANT COLUMN

Twenty-five words or less, one week, 25 cents; second week, 15 cents; each additional week, 10 cents.
Each word more than 25: One week, 1 cent and each additional week, 1/2 cent.

For Sale—A pair of horses weighing about 1100 pounds. Inquire at the Citizens Office, Bethel, Maine.
13-14

FOR SALE—Cooking apples at 500 per bushel. Inquire of H. A. Lyas, Bethel, Maine.
13-14

FOR SALE—A six-room house, with stable and fire area of land. House is furnished, electric lights, bath, and hot and cold water. About five minutes walk from post office. All in good condition. Inquire at the Citizens Office, Bethel, Me.
13-14

FOR SALE—Set of two horse sleds. Inquire of H. A. Lyas, Bethel, Maine.
13-14

FOR SALE—Twenty cords of good dry spruce wood. Inquire of H. A. Lyas, Bethel, Maine.
13-14

NOTICE—For a limited time I will pay 30 cents per pound for No. 1 dressed pigs. W. C. Bryant, Bethel, Me. 13-14

CORONA TYPEWRITER for sale. Used very little and in fine condition. Inquire at Citizens Office. 13-14

NOTICE

Whereas, my wife, Fannie E. Briggs, has left her home without any provision, I forbid all people harboring or trusting her after this date on my account.
GEORGE BRIGGS,
Jan. 21, 1934
Attorney Maine
13-14

NOTICE OF LOST BANK BOOK

Notice is hereby given that the Bethel Savings Bank has been notified that book of deposit issued by said bank to John J. Davis of Bethel, Maine, and numbered 1167 has been destroyed or lost, and that they desire to have a new book of deposit issued to them.
BETHEL SAVINGS BANK,
By A. R. Henshaw, Treas.
Bethel, Maine, January 25, 1934
13-14

LOST—A pocketbook containing quite a sum of money. Finder please return to Citizens Office and receive reward.
27-1

The Children's Hospital of Portland, Maine, offers to young women of high school standing, a two and one-half years' course of Hospital Nursing Training which includes Hospital Nursing and education with New Haven Hospital for the Blind, Adult Hospital and Medical Nursing.
Those applicants desired for April classes.
Information sent on application, addressed to Dept. of Nurses. 27-1

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1934

GROVER HILL

Miss Ida M. Henshaw is the guest at Mr. and Mrs. John C. Anderson at Washington.

Sharon Lyas is out of school, 14 with the prevailing epidemic, pink eye.

Frank Merrill and son, James, have been ill with bad colds but are somewhat better.

M. F. Tyler has his birth nearly all healed.

Mrs. A. L. Williams received word Sunday that her brother, Oronville Smith, was critically ill at his home in Portsmouth, N. H.

Arvin Hutchinson has employment in the Springer mill.

Arvin Hutchinson is helping Frank Bennett at his shop this week.

Alfred J. Fadden from Newry was at Henry Lyas's, Saturday night, returning to Newry, Sunday A. M.

KEMP'S BALSAM

THE J. E. JONES LETTER

(Continued from page 1)

tributes market news and information covering many industries, but it denies the right of trade associations to do the same thing among its members. The Department of Commerce has its policy about "trusts," and it encourages the fullest exchange of information and methods. The Navy Department doubtless helped organize the "radio trust," to which the Federal Trade now objects. What Heaven, in the Commerce Department, is right in trade and commerce, Daugherty in the Department of Justice is apt to rule is wrong.

A HIT AND MISS POLICY

Many persons show a good deal of impatience with the Federal Trade Commission, because some of its complaints, like that directed against the radio interests, seem unnecessary. However, the Commission was created to be the "army and navy" in commerce, and after many years of existence it appears to have been unable to form any distinct line of policy for the conduct of federal trade. And so it blunders away, sometimes doing the right thing, and sometimes doing the wrong thing—a kind of hit or miss policy. Many of its own complaints are dismissed by the Commission, and of the total of 1932 complaints there have been 300 actions on but 50. The courts have reviewed 57 cases, and found 23 orders of the Commission to be valid. Only in seven instances were they voided. In the radio matter there seems to be an attempt to use purely technical circumstances to undo one of the most creative works for humanity that the century has witnessed. But maybe the "easy and easy of commerce" is in shooting off mere black cartridges.

PUBLIC LANDS AND HOMESTEADS

When in 1790 the Government adopted the plan of surveying its lands one might have supposed that some day the job would be finished. But it never has been, and there remain considerably more than 13,000,000 acres unsurveyed in the United States, to say nothing of millions of unsurveyed acres in Alaska. The early fathers were so eager to get land before it was all gone that they "squatted" along the Ohio River, and in 1784 a company of United States troops was kept going up and down the river from the Pennsylvania line to Cincinnati, burning all the cabins and and burning down the fences of these "squatters." This was kept up for a dozen years, until the Government placed a price of sixty-six and two-thirds cents an acre on the land, which made for these early "squatters." In the early sixties there was a great rush for lands under the homestead laws, and this continued until very recent years. But there still remain more than 50,000,000 acres of vacant, unsurveyed and unsurveyed public lands. Most of it is considered of small value for agricultural purposes, and in some regions the unsurveyed 100 acres has been placed in "enlarged" homesteads. Most of the so-called "reclamation projects" that were intended to take up the slack in public lands open for settlement, have proceeded very slowly in the way of development, and although the Government has repeatedly extended the periods for payments under the laws, the settlers as a rule have been unable to make both ends meet, and thousands of them have abandoned their attempts to carry out new homes. Notwithstanding this discouraging experience, the Government still has faith in the ultimate success of these projects.

MIDDLE INTERVAL ROAD

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Coullage and daughter, Mae, visited at J. P. Coullage's, Sunday.

Miss Minnie Oopen spent several days with her sister and family at Middle Interval last week.

Prof. Chapman and Alice Oopen were called at C. A. Oopen's and Mrs. Van der Couter's last Friday.

Mr. Mass Kimball had an all time recently at the home of Walter Robertson, but is somewhat better at this writing.

Miss Minnie Oopen is spending a week with Miss L. M. Roberts.

SOUTH BETHEL

Harry Chase and Earl Cummings of Sanford were at the home of Mr. Chase's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Chase, Sunday.

Victor Tibbitts was at Bethel one day last week.

Warren Brooks and Norma Oopen were in town, Sunday.

Aunt Oopen of Bethel was at P. H. Brooks' one day last week.

MASON

John Fennell and Bertram Hogg of South Paris, who have employment with West Brown, spent the week and at home.

Mrs. Frank Williams spent the week end at Bethel.

Mrs. J. A. Monahan, Miss Ella M. Monahan and Miss Lillian Baker went to the tree supper at West Bethel, Friday evening.

Mrs. Anne M. of Albany called on Mrs. R. C. Smith one afternoon recently.

DO IT NOW

Bethel People Should Not Wait Until It Is Too Late

The appalling death-rate from kidney disease is due largely to the fact that the little kidney troubles are usually neglected until they become serious. The slight symptoms often give place to chronic disorders and the sufferer may slip gradually into some serious form of kidney complaint.

If you suffer from backache, headaches, dizzy spells; if the kidney secretions are irregular of passage and unsatisfactory in appearance, do not delay. Help the kidneys at once.

Donan's Pills are especially for kidney disorders—they act where others fail. Over one hundred thousand people have recommended them. Here's a case at home:

R. J. Hasellon, Chapman St., Bethel, says: "Donan's Pills are certainly all right and I gladly recommend them. I had a severe spell of rheumatic trouble and my kidneys showed signs of disorder. My left leg was drawn up and painful and backache annoyed me considerably. Donan's Pills were advised to me by Dr. Henshaw's Drug Store and got three boxes. When I had finished taking Donan's, I was relieved."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Donan's Pills—the same that Mr. Hasellon had. Foster-McMillan Co., Mrs. Hasellon, N. Y.

SUPREME JUDICIAL COURT

The following is the list of presiding officers at the February term of Supreme Judicial Court to be opened at South Paris on Tuesday, February 12.

Hon. Warren C. Philbrook, Justice Presiding.

Donald B. Partridge, Clerk of Courts.

Fred R. Hand, Stenographer.

Hugh W. Hastings, County Attorney.

William O. Frothingham, Sheriff.

Lawrence Fogg, Messenger.

Robert E. Shaw, Officer.

Benjamin B. Billings, Deputy with Grand Jury.

Harold Holman and Harry B. King, Deputies with Traverse Justices.

Walter L. Gray, Librarian.

The same grand jury that was in at South Paris at the October term will also be in attendance at this term. They are:

Jesse W. Adams, Dixfield.

Elmer E. Baker, Fryeburg.

R. G. Bean, Albany.

Arthur Blake, Brownfield.

J. L. Bonaparte, Hallowell.

John Burke, Mexico.

C. R. Childs, Buckfield.

E. H. Curtis, Paris.

W. K. Hamlin, Waterford.

Jay L. Leland, Hallowell.

J. C. Littlefield, Greenwood.

Charles F. Smith, Hallowell.

Elmer E. Twissell, Oxford.

A. Van Der Kerkhof, Bethel.

Ralph R. Wells, Roxbury.

William P. Young, Norway.

John C. O'Neil, who was a member of this body from Paris, has been finally excused.

The following venire for traverse justices have been returned to the country clerk's office:

J. Allen Rickard, Paris.

PUBLIC UTILITIES HEARING

Petition of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, re Overhead Bridge, Bethel, Maine.

To The Public Utilities Commission:

The Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, a corporation created by and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the Dominion of Canada; and, by authority of the laws of the State of Maine, Lessee of all the property, rights and franchises of the Atlantic & St. Lawrence Railroad Company, a corporation created and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Maine, respectfully represents that it is necessary to reconstruct the present overhead bridge passing over the railroad and right of way of said Atlantic & St. Lawrence Railroad Company in the Town of Bethel, County of Oxford and State of Maine; that in the reconstruction of said bridge it is proposed to raise the level thereof so that the clearance shall be twenty-two (22) feet and six (6) inches and to change the grade of the approaches thereto from a five per cent. grade to a seven per cent. grade made necessary by the increase in height of said bridge, as now constructed, said present construction being in accordance with the order and decrees of the Board of Railroad Commissioners of the State of Maine, dated the seventh day of June, A. D. 1907.

And your Petitioner further says that it is informed and believes that the owners of land adjoining said bridge are: Dan H. Smith and the Merrill, Springer Company and Fred L. Douglas, all of said Bethel on the North Side of said bridge, and Albert Brooks and Bessie Martin of said Bethel, owners of land on the South Side of said bridge. A plan showing the proposed bridge as reconstructed and the location thereof is filed herewith as part of this petition.

(Said plan is on file with the Commission.)

Wherefore your Petitioner prays that your Honorable Commission will fix a time and place for hearing on this petition and will order such notice as to the time, place and purpose of said hearing as may be deemed proper, and that at such hearing your Honorable Commission will order the bridge as reconstructed and changed as herein prayed for, and will fix the height of said bridge as the approaches thereto and will order such changes in the existing conditions as it may deem necessary.

Dated at Portland, Maine, this twenty-third day of January, A. D. 1934.
THE GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY COMPANY OF CANADA
Lessee of Atlantic & St. Lawrence Railroad Company
By
H. P. Swetish, Its Attorney

On the foregoing application, which is hereby made a part of this order, it is ORDERED

(1) That a public hearing be held at the Passenger station of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada at Bethel, Maine, on February 7, A. D. 1934, at 10:30 o'clock in the forenoon; (2) That the Clerk of this Commission give notice of said hearing to Dan H. Smith, Albert Brooks, Bessie Martin, Fred L. Douglas, all of Bethel, Maine; by causing to be sent by registered mail to each, a copy of this order, certified by said Clerk, ten (10) days at least before the date of said hearing;

(3) That said Clerk give notice of said hearing to the Grand Trunk Railway Company of Canada, Lessee of the Atlantic & St. Lawrence Railroad Company, by causing to be sent by registered mail to H. P. Swetish, Esq., Attorney for said company, Portland, Maine; to the Merrill Springer Company by causing to be sent by registered mail to the President of said Company, Bethel, Maine, like copies of said order at least days at least before the date of said hearing;

(4) That said Clerk give notice of said hearing to the inhabitants of the Town of Bethel by causing to be sent by registered mail to the Town Clerk of said Town a like copy of said order ten (10) days at least before the date of said hearing;

(5) That said Clerk deliver like copies of said order to the Attorney General for the State of Maine and to the State Highway Commission, all ten (10) days at least before the date of said hearing.

Given under our hand and seal of the Public Utilities Commission at Augusta, this 30th day of January, A. D. 1934.

CHARLES E. GURNEY,
HERBERT TRAPTON,
ALBERT ORNSTEIN, LAW,
Public Utilities Commission of Maine

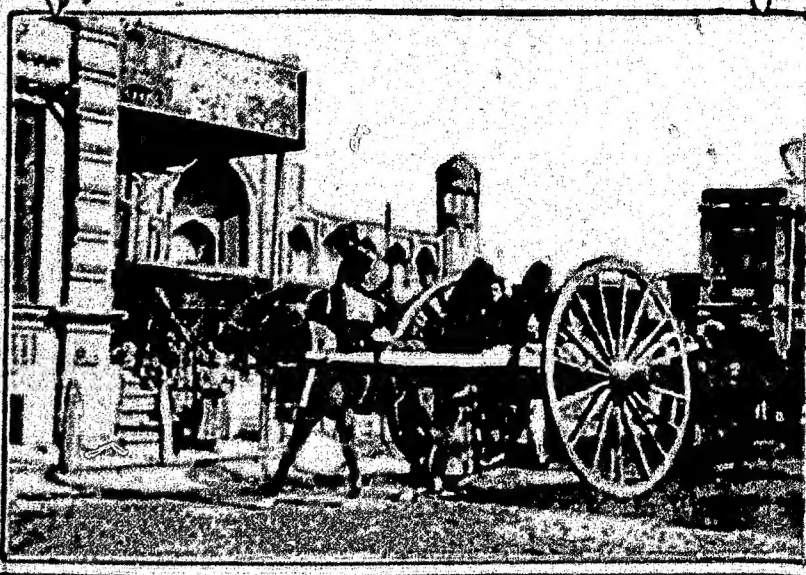
L. S. Attest Geo. F. O'Dillage, Clerk.

SIXTH A True Copy Attest (Signed) Geo. F. O'Dillage, Clerk.

Sealed Received and copied for Collection, January 25, 1934.

ALICE J. BROOKS, Town Clerk, Bethel, Maine.

ROOF of the WORLD



A Square in Kokand, Fergana.

(Prepared by the National Geographic Society, Washington, D. C.)

Continual reports from Moscow that the Soviet government is seeking to become a leader of Asiatic peoples arouse interest in Fergana, the country which was the Russian empire's deepest southeastern wedge driven into Asia, a country of deserts and oases, towering mountains and picturesque valleys, where the territories of Russian, Chinese and British almost meet.

Fergana, formerly Kokand, has numerous bays to fame, but among them two stand out. Its northern fertile valleys and oases constituted the heart of Russia's cotton producing country; and its borders south and east marked the terminal moraine, so to speak, of the great Slav glacier which had moved slowly down through Asia, bringing its deposit of Russian dominion and culture, until it hung over both India and China.

The southern portion of Fergana is a sort of Russian Kashmir, with the delightful vale left out—a country of high but deep valleys and towering peaks, bleak slopes and sparkling lakes. It is, in fact, the reverse to Kashmir's overture in so far as the more rugged portions of Kashmir are concerned, for it lies just over the mountain divide from that better-known land of towering peaks; so close that a "Tian"—or a Big Bertha, if one might be gotten there—might hurl a missile from Russian to British territory. Only a narrow strip of Afghan land, reserved to Afghanistan because of the long jealousy and diplomatic struggle between Britain and the old Russian empire, lies between. In places it is as narrow as twenty miles.

The southern portion of Fergana is the Pamir, or more properly, the Pamirs. It has a Persian name also that has intrigued the world's interest, "Homid-Dunya," "Roof of the World." Toward the middle of the Nineteenth century, the Pamirs, to which scant attention has been given before, became the world's mystery region. The meager references to it in the writings of early Chinese Buddhist pilgrims were ferreted out, together with those of Marco Polo and other dauntless early travelers who had crossed the forbidding region. Agents of the British Indian government were sent on secret expeditions to survey the area from Kashmir northward; and after Russia absorbed the Khanate of Kokan in 1876 and fell heir to its claims to the northern Pamirs, Russian explorers began to penetrate the mystery region from the north. Thus there was born the great rivalry between Russia and Britain in central Asia which gave rise to mutual suspicions and almost led to acts of war on several occasions.

Lefty Valleys Almost Unpeopled.

It was found, when the observations of the various explorers were placed together, that the Pamirs made up an almost unpeopled country of such high altitude and severe climate that it could never be permanently inhabited. "Pamir" has been generally accepted to mean "valley at the foot of mountains," and the Pamirs, covering an area roughly 150 miles square, are a series of these characteristic valleys, their river-fed floors mountains high when compared to the mountains of most other lands, with snow-covered and glacier-clad peaks rising several thousand feet above them. The bottoms of practically all the Pamirs are at least 12,000 feet high and some are over 15,000.

Only a few hundred Kirghiz nomads wander over the region in summer, living in their hemispherical felt tents, and making for the lower country, whether India, Afghanistan, China or Russia, in the winter. For nine months of the year mountains and valleys alike are wrapped in Arctic-like cold, everything covered with a heavy blanket of snow and ice.

Once Imperial Russia got possession of the Pamirs in 1894, she drew ever tighter about it the cloak of secrecy that Nature had all along maintained. Yet it became known, through the reports strained the credibility of British explorers, that military roads were traversing what had appeared to be impenetrable terrain. They reached out from the railroads of northern Fergana through gorges and over lofty passes into the Pamirs, and over them it was not impossible to drag artillery to the very threshold of British India. Few persons other than trusted imperialists were permitted to traverse

these paths which Russian dreamers hoped would some day lead their empire still farther south.

The Russians even defined the general belief that permanent habitations could not be established in the Pamirs, especially by people of the lowlands. In one of the mountain hemmed valleys, in the very heart of the Pamirs, and along their military road, they built the fort of Murghab andarrisoned it with several hundred soldiers, mostly Cossacks. During the last twenty years of the Russian empire this highest of Russian military posts was maintained without a break. Whether it constituted a practical threat at British India is problematical in view of the roadless gorges and peaks to the south; but it served at least to keep alive curiosity and intrigue between the two great empires until they ranged themselves side by side in the World War. Soviet Russia has not stripped off the veil of mystery from the Pamirs, and whether they still garrison this far southeastern outpost of Russia is not known to the outside world.

Divides the Waters of Asia.

Though strictly on a basis of average altitude and highest peaks the Pamir region may not reserve its picturesque second name, "Roof of the World," to the extent that Tibet would, from one point of view it is well. For just as a pointed roofpeak sends the waters that fall on it flowing off on every side, so the Pamirs divide important waters of Asia. From the same group of glaciers at the meeting point of India, Afghanistan and China begin headstreams that flow through the famous Oxus westward to the Aral sea, the Indus southward to the Indian ocean, and the Tarim eastward toward China to the Lo Yang.

While the southern end of Fergana is a country of rugged mountains and plateaus, the fertile valleys of its northern end constitute a central Asian Eden. Snow-fed rivers and streams, always fullest in the warm growing season, were led out over fertile plains until they died in the sands; but, in the dying they made northern Fergana a garden spot of grains and fruits, and after the Russians came, of precious cotton. The cotton produced in these and neighboring Turkestan oases before the World War was greater than that of India or Egypt and second only to that of the United States.

In Fergana and its neighboring countries of central Asia there was undoubtedly a very early development of civilization, even though they may not have been, as some students have asserted, the cradle of the human race. And probably there the art of irrigation was practiced as early as anywhere in the world.

Like all other regions of central Asia Fergana felt the heat of Ghengis Khan and Tamerlane. It was overrun, too, from the Chinese Turkestan which lies against it to the east. When Mohammedanism rose to power, it was conquered by the Arabs and its people have since been followers of the prophet.

Russian dominion came slowly to Fergana, then the Khanate of Kokan. After the more western portions of the Transcaspian region and Turkestan had fallen, Russian arms finally conquered the warlike Tekke Turkomans who blocked the way to Fergana's fertile valleys. It was not until 1894 that the slow-moving Russian glacier had engulfed the southern territory of the old Khanate.

With the Russians came organized ability, development, railroads, prosperity, and a smattering at least of western civilization. To the rail head at Andijan, aimed at the heart of Asia, ran the modern express from Petrograd, with their sleeping cars and spassies diners. And a few miles south began the military roads that lost themselves in the mysterious Pamirs.

The Bolsheviks at first lost control of Fergana as of many of its neighboring regions. But by force of arms and diplomacy they have won it back after a fashion.

If Russian power has a renaissance in Asia either by domination or through leadership Fergana can hardly escape assuming its old importance as a source of raw material for Moscow's cotton factories and as a watch tower and flaming post over against the Indian and Chinese frontiers.

VOLUME X

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